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ABSTRACT

This language guide, written for United States Armed Forces personnel, serves as an introduction to the German language and presents important words and phrases for use in normal conversation. Linguistic expressions are classified under the following categories: (1) greetings and general phrases, (2) location, (3) directions, (4) numbers, (5) "What's this?", (6) asking for things, (7) money, (8) time, and (9) other useful phrases. Additional sections include other expressions, fill-in sentences, important signs, and an alphabetical word list. (RL)

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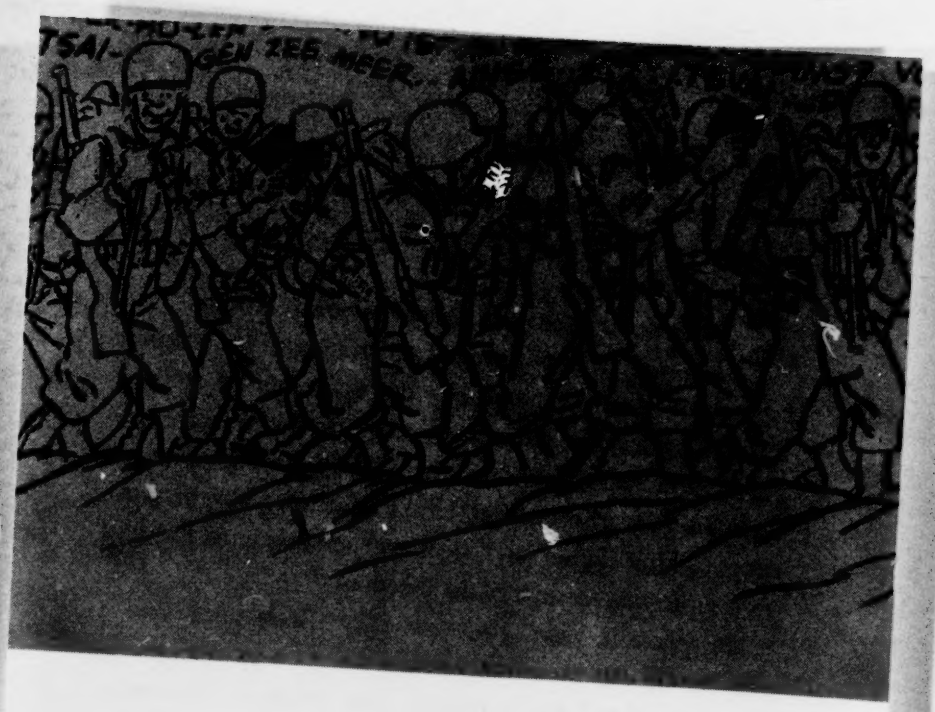

GERMAN LANGUAGE GUIDE

German is spoken by over 80 million people in Germany, Austria and parts of Switzerland and Czechoslovakia. There are a number of local variations of German and sometimes you will hear people speaking in a way that seems quite different from what

is shown in this *Guide*. However, almost everybody also speaks, or at least understands, the form of German given here, which is the one taught in the German schools.

***How to Use the Records and Guide**

This *Guide* is not intended to give you a complete command of the language. If you want to embark upon a somewhat extensive study of the spoken language you should obtain the USAFI course, Spoken German—see the current USAFI Catalog for instructions. This *Guide* will, however, enable you to carry on simple conversations in German.

The records that go with this *Guide* give you a number of the most important words and phrases in German. Read the section called *Hints on Pronunciation* and then listen to the records until you know the *Useful Words and Phrases* by heart. Repeat each word out loud right after you hear it and say it exactly the way the German speaker does. Imitate the pronunciation as closely as you can, just as you might mimic someone who has an unusual accent. Try to get every detail of the pronunciation, even the rhythm and the

*Records no longer available.

intonation. Follow the words in your *Guide* but use them only as a reminder; if you hear something different from what you see written, go by what you hear. Remember that you can't get the sound of a language from the printed word alone—you have to use your ears even more than your eyes. If you don't have the records and can't get a German speaker to read the words, you will have to rely on the *Hints on Pronunciation* alone.

By the time you have practiced the *Useful Words and Phrases* several times you will know what sound each letter stands for in the *Guide*. You will then be able to pronounce the *Additional Expressions* even though you have not actually heard them and you will be able to form sentences of your own by using the section called *Fill-In Sentences*.

Hints on Pronunciation

If you have studied German before, you may not need additional practice in pronunciation. However, unless you have had a chance to try out your German and know that you are understood without

any difficulty, you had better do a little practicing.

All the words and phrases in this *Guide* are written both in German spelling and in a simplified spelling which you read like English. (Don't use the German spelling, the one given in parentheses, unless you have studied German before.) ***Read the simplified spelling as though it were English.*** Each letter or combination of letters is used for the sound it usually stands for in English and it *always* stands for that sound. Thus, *oo* is always pronounced as it is in *too*, *boot*, *tooth*, *roost*, never as anything else. Say these words and then pronounce the vowel sound by itself. That is the sound you must use every time you see *oo* in the ***Pronunciation*** column. If you should use some other sound—for example, the sound of *oo* in *blood*—you may be misunderstood.

Syllables that are accented, that is, pronounced louder than others, are written in capital letters. Curved lines (‿) are used to show sounds that are pronounced together without any break; for example, *P‿FEN-nik* meaning "pfennig," *P‿FEF-fer* meaning "pepper."

Special Points

Here are a few points to note as you listen to the records:

AY — as in *may, say, play* but don't drawl it the way we do in English. Example: *TAY* meaning "tea."

O or OH — as in *go, so, oh, note, joke* but don't drawl it the way we do in English. Example: *VO* meaning "where."

AI — as in *aisle* Example: *AINSS* meaning "one."

EW — stands for a sound we do not have in English. To make it you round your lips as though to say the *oo* in *boo* and at the same time say the *ee* in *bee*. Example: *guh-MEW-zuh* meaning "vegetables."

ER — stands for a sound somewhat like the one in *her* except that you round your lips as you make the sound. Example: *TSVERLF* meaning "twelve."

KH — stands for a sound something like the one you make when you clear your throat to spit. Example: *NAHKH* meaning "toward."

Memory Key

AY	as in *day* but not so drawled.
O or OH	as in *go* but not so drawled.
AI	as in *aisle*
EW	for the sound in *bee* said with the lips rounded.
ER	for the sound in *her* said with the lips rounded.
KH	for a sound which is like the one you make when you clear your throat to spit.

USEFUL WORDS AND PHRASES

The following is the exact wording of the German Language Records issued with this *Guide:*

> These records give you a few useful phrases in German. To learn to say these phrases so that you will be understood, imitate the sounds exactly as you hear them. You will hear the English first, followed by the German; then repeat the German out loud, and say it *good und loud*. Remember! Repeat every German phrase right after you hear it.
>
> In the *German Language Guide* which should be used with these records, all the phrases you will hear are written both in German spelling and in a simplified spelling which you read like English. Don't use the German spelling unless you have studied German before.
>
> Listen to the records six or seven times and you will know the phrases by heart.

GREETINGS AND GENERAL PHRASES

English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
Good morning	*GOO-ten MAWR-gen* (Guten Morgen)
Good day	*GOO-ten TAHK* (Guten Tag)

ow as in *now; ai* as in *aisle*

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
Good evening	*GOO-ten AH-bent* (Guten Abend)
How are you?	*vee GA YT ess ee-nen?* (Wie geht es Ihnen?)
Sir	*main HA YR* (mein Herr)
Madam	*G‿NA Y-dig-uh FROW* (gnädige Frau)
Miss	*G‿NA Y-dig-ess FROY-lain* (gnädiges Fräulein)

When you address a person by name you say:

Mr. Schmidt	*HA YR SHMIT* (Herr Schmidt)
Mrs. Schmidt	*FROW SHMIT* (Frau Schmidt)
Miss Schmidt	*FROY-lain SHMIT* (Fräulein Schmidt)
Please	*BIT-tuh* (Bitte)
Excuse me	*fayr-TSAI-oong* (Verzeihung)
Thank you	*DAN-kuh* (Danke)

When someone thanks you, you answer with the word for "please."

Please	*BIT-tuh* (Bitte)
Yes	*YA* (Ja)
No	*NAIN* (Nein)

ow as in *now; ai* as in *aisle*

English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
Do you understand?	*fer-SHTA Y-en zee?* (Verstehen Sie?)
I understand	*ish fer-SHTA Y-uh* (Ich verstehe)
I don't understand	*ish fer-SHTA Y-uh nisht* (Ich verstehe nicht)
Speak slowly	*SHPRESH-en zee LAHNK-zahm* (Sprechen Sie langsam)
Please repeat	*BIT-tuh vee-der-HO-len zee* (Bitte wiederholen Sie)

LOCATION

When you need directions to get somewhere you use the phrase "Where is?" and then add the words you need.

Where is	*VO IST* (Wo ist)
a restaurant	*ain ress-to-RAHNG* (ein Restaurant)
Where is a restaurant?	*VO ist ain ress-to-RAHNG?* (Wo ist ein Restaurant?)
a hotel	*ain ho-TEL* (ein Hotel)
Where is a hotel?	*VO ist ain ho-TEL?* (Wo ist ein Hotel?)

ow as in *now; ai* as in *aisle*

English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
a railroad station	*ain BAHN-hohf* (ein Bahnhof)
Where is a railroad station?	*VO ist ain BAHN-hohf?* (Wo ist ein Bahnhof?)
a toilet	*ai-nuh twa-LET-tuh* (eine Toilette)
Where is a toilet?	*VO ist ai-nuh twa-LET-tuh?* (Wo ist eine Toilette?)

DIRECTIONS

The answer to your question "Where is such and such?" may be "To the right" or "To the left" or "Straight ahead," so you need to know these phrases.

To the right *nahkh RESHTS* (nach rechts)

To the left *nahkh LINKS* (nach links)

In the word *NAHKH* you heard a sound you must practice. It is written in your *Language Guide* as *kh*. Listen to the word again and repeat: *NAHKH, NAHKH*. It is like clearing your throat when you have to spit. Try just the sound again: *kh, kh*

Straight ahead *guh-RA-duh-OWSS* (geradeaus)

It is sometimes useful to say "Please show me."

ow as in *now; ai* as in *aisle*

English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*	
Please show me	*BIT-tuh TSAI-gen zee meer*	(Bitte zeigen Sie mir)

If you are driving and ask the distance to another town, it will be given you in kilometers, not miles.

Kilometer *kee-lo-MA Y-ter* (Kilometer)

One kilometer equals 5/8 of a mile.

NUMBERS

You need to know the numbers.

One	*AINSS*	eins
Two	*TSVAI*	zwei
Three	*DRAI*	drei
Four	*FEER*	vier
Five	*FEWNF*	fünf
Six	*ZEKS*	sechs
Seven	*ZEE-ben*	sieben
Eight	*AHKHT*	acht
Nine	*NOYN*	neun
Ten	*TSAYN*	zehn

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*	
Eleven	*ELF*	elf
Twelve	*TSVERLF*	zwölf

Notice the sound of *er* in the last word. Listen to the word again and repeat: *TSVERLF, TSVERLF.* We don't have this sound in English, but the sound we have in "her" is close to it. Round your lips as though you were pronouncing the "o" in *go*, and at the same time say the *er* in *her*. Try just the sound again: *er, er.*

Thirteen	*DRAI-tsayn*	dreizehn
Fourteen	*FEER-tsayn*	vierzehn
Fifteen	*FEWNF-tsayn*	fünfzehn
Sixteen	*ZESH-tsayn*	sechzehn
Seventeen	*ZEEP-tsayn*	siebzehn
Eighteen	*AHKH-tsayn*	achtzehn
Nineteen	*NOYN-tsayn*	neunzehn
Twenty	*TSVAHN-tsik*	zwanzig

To say "twenty-one," "twenty-two," etc. you say in German "one and twenty," "two and twenty," etc.

ow as in *now; ai* as in *aisle*

English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*	
Twenty-one	*AIN-oont-tsvahn-tsik*	einundzwanzig
Twenty-two	*TSVAI-oont-tsvahn-tsik*	zweiundzwanzig
Thirty	*DRAI-sik*	dreissig
Forty	*FEER-tsik*	vierzig
Fifty	*FEWNF-tsik*	fünfzig
Sixty	*ZESH-tsik*	sechzig
Seventy	*ZEEP-tsik*	siebzig
Eighty	*AHKH-tsik*	achtzig
Ninety	*NOYN-tsik*	neunzig
Hundred	*HOON-dert*	hundert
Thousand	*TOW-zent*	tausend

WHAT'S THIS?

When you want to know the name of something you can say "What's this?" or "What's that?" and point to the thing you mean.

English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
What is	*VAH'S IST* (Was ist)
this	*DEESS* (dies)
What's this?	*VAHSS ist DEESS?* (Was ist dies?)
What's that?	*VAHSS ist DAHSS?* (Was ist das?)

ASKING FOR THINGS

When you want something, use the phrase "I want" and then add the name of the thing wanted. Always use "Please"—*BIT-tuh*.

I want	*ish MERSH-tuh* (Ich möchte)
cigarettes	*tsee-ga-RET-ten* (Zigaretten)
I want cigarettes	*ish MERSH-tuh tsee-ga-RET-ten* (Ich möchte Zigaretten)
to eat	*ESS-sen* (essen)
I want to eat	*ish MERSH-tuh ESS-sen* (Ich möchte essen)

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Here are the words for some of the things you may require.

English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
drinking water	*TRINK-vahss-ser* (Trinkwasser)
bread	*BROHT* (Brot)
butter	*BOOT-ter* (Butter)
eggs	*AI-er* (Eier)
cheese	*KAY-zuh* (Käse)
meat	*FLAISH* (Fleisch)
pork	*SHVAI-nuh-flaish* (Schweinefleisch)
mutton	*HAHM-mel-flaish* (Hammelfleisch)
veal	*KAHLP-flaish* (Kalbfleisch)
beef	*RINT-flaish* (Rindfleisch)
chicken	*HOON* (Huhn)
fish	*FISH* (Fisch)
soup	*ZOOP-puh* (Suppe)
vegetables	*guh-MEW-zuh* (Gemüse)

You have just heard another sound you must practice. It is written in your *Guide* as *ew*. Listen to the

word again and repeat: *guh-MEW-zuh, guh-MEW-zuh.* To make this sound you round your lips as though to say *oo* but say *ee* instead. Try just the sound again: *ew, ew.*

English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
potatoes	*kar-TAWF-feln* (Kartoffeln)
beets	*RO-tuh REW-ben* (rote Rüben)
beans	*BO-nen* (Bohnen)
cabbage	*KOHL* (Kohl)
salad	*za-LAHT* (Salat)
fruit	*OHPST* (Obst)
milk	*MILSH* (Milch)
salt	*ZAHLTS* (Salz)
pepper	*P‿FEF-fer* (Pfeffer)
sugar	*TSOOK-ker* (Zucker)
chocolate	*sho-ko-LA-duh* (Schokolade)
tea	*TAY* (Tee)
coffee	*KAHF-fay* (Kaffee)
a cup of coffee	*ai-nuh TAHSS-suh KAHF-fay* (eine Tasse Kaffee)
wine	*VAIN* (Wein)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
beer	*BEER* (Bier)
a glass of beer	*ain GLAHSS BEER* (ein Glas Bier)
tobacco	*TA-bahk* (Tabak)
matches	*SHTRAISH-herl-tser* (Streichhölzer)

MONEY

To find out how much things cost, you say:

How much	*vee-FEEL*	Wieviel
costs	*KAWSS-tet*	kostet
that	*DAHSS*	das
How much does that cost?	*vee-feel KAWSS-tet DAHSS?*	(Wieviel kostet das?)

The answer will be given you in marks and pfennigs

mark	*MARK* (Mark)
pfennig	*P‿FEN-nik* (Pfennig)

TIME

When you want to know what time it is, you say really "How late is it?"

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
What time is it?	*vee SHPAYT ist ess?* (Wie spät ist es?)
Two o'clock	*TSVAI OOR* (zwei Uhr)
Ten past two	*TSAYN nahkh TSVAI* (zehn nach Zwei)
Quarter past five	*FEER-tel nahkh FEWNF* (viertel nach Fünf)

"Half past six" is "six o'clock thirty" or "half seven."

Half past six	*ZEKS oor DRAI-sik*	(sechs Uhr dreissig)
	or HAHLP ZEE-ben	(halb Sieben).

"A quarter of eight" is "three quarters eight."

Quarter of eight	*DRAI-feer-tel AHKHT*	(dreiviertel Acht)

"Five minutes to nine" is "five minutes before nine."

Five minutes to nine	*FEWNF mee-NOO-ten for NOYN*	(fünf Minuten vor Neun)

For the hours after 12 noon it is customary to say "thirteen o'clock"—*DRAI-tsayn OOR*, and so on, just as we do in the Army.

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If you want to know when a movie starts or when a train leaves, you say:

English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
When	*VAHN* (Wann)
begins	*buh-GINT* (beginnt)
the movie	*dahss KEE-no* (das Kino)
When does the movie start?	*VAHN buh-GINT dahss KEE-no?* (Wann beginnt das Kino?)
leaves	*GAYT* (geht)
the train	*dayr TSOOK* (der Zug)
When does the train leave?	*vahn GAYT dayr TSOOK?* (Wann geht der Zug?)
Yesterday	*GESS-tern* (gestern)
Today	*HOY-tuh* (heute)
Tomorrow	*MAWR-gen* (morgen)

The days of the week are:

Sunday	*ZAWN-tahk* (Sonntag)
Monday	*MOHN-tahk* (Montag)
Tuesday	*DEENSS-tahk* (Dienstag)
Wednesday	*MIT-vawkh* (Mittwoch)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
Thursday	*DAWN-nerss-tahk* (Donnerstag)
Friday	*FRAI-tahk* (Freitag)
Saturday	*ZAMSS-tahk* (Samstag) *or ZAWN-ah-bent* (Sonnabend)

OTHER USEFUL PHRASES

The following phrases will be useful.

What is your name?	*VEE HAI-sen zee?* (Wie heissen Sie?)
My name is___	*ish HAI-suh___* (Ich heisse___)
How do you say *table* (or anything else) in German?	*vahss ZA-gen zee fewr* table *owf DOYTSH?* (Was sagen Sie für *table* auf Deutsch?)
I am an American	*ish bin ah-may-ree-KA-ner* (Ich bin Amerikaner)
Please help me	*BIT-tuh HEL-fen zee meer* (Bitte helfen Sie mir)
Where is the nearest town?	*VO ist dee NAYSH-stuh AWRT-shaft?* (Wo ist die nächste Ortschaft?)
Good-by	*owf VEE-der-zayn* (Auf Wiedersehen)

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ADDITIONAL EXPRESSIONS

English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
I am hungry	*ish HA-buh HOONG-er* (Ich habe Hunger)
I am thirsty	*ish HA-buh DOORST* (Ich habe Durst)
Halt! *or* Stop!	*HAHLT!* (Halt!)
Come here!	*KAWM-men zee HAYR!* (Kommen Sie her!)
Quickly	*SHNEL* (schnell)
Come quickly!	*KAWM-men zee SHNEL!* (Kommen Sie schnell!)
Go quickly!	*GAY-en zee SHNEL!* (Gehen Sie schnell!)
Help!	*HIL-fuh!* (Hilfe!)
Bring help!	*HO-len zee HIL-fuh!* (Holen Sie Hilfe!)
I am lost	*ish HA-buh mish fayr-LOW-fen* (Ich habe mich verlaufen)
I will pay you	*ish VAYR-duh EE-nen GELT GAY-ben* (Ich werde Ihnen Geld geben)
Where are the American sailors?	*VO ZINT dee a-may-ree-KA-nee-shen mah-TROH-zen?* (Wo sind die amerikanischen Matrosen?)
Where is the town?	*VO IST dee SHTAHT?* (Wo ist die Stadt?)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
Where is it?	*VO IST ess?* (Wo ist es?)
How far is it?	*vee VAIT ist ess?* (Wie weit ist es?)
Which way is north?	*VO ist NAWR-den?* (Wo ist Norden?)
Which is the road to___?	*VO ist dayr VAYK nahkh___?* (Wo ist der Weg nach___?)
Draw me a map	*TSAISH-nen zee meer ai-nuh KAR-tuh* (Zeichnen Sie mir eine Karte)
Take me there	*BRIN-gen zee mish dawrt HIN* (Bringen Sie mich dort hin)
Take me to a doctor	*BRIN-gen zee mish tsoo AI-nem ARTST* (Bringen Sie mich zu einem Arzt)
Take me to a hospital	*BRIN-gen zee mish tsoo AI-nem la-tsa-RET* (Bringen Sie mich zu einem Lazarett)
Danger!	*guh-FAR!* (Gefahr!)
Watch out!	*OWF-pahss-sen!* (Aufpassen!)
Gas!	*GAHSS!* (Gas!)
Take cover!	*DEK-koong!* (Deckung!)
Wait a moment!	*VAR-ten zee ai-nen OW-gen-blik!* (Warten Sie einen Augenblick!)

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FILL-IN SENTENCES

In this section you will find a number of sentences, each containing a blank space which can be filled in with any one of the words in the list that follows. For example, to say "Where can I get some soap?" look for the phrase "Where can I get___?" in the English column and find the German expression given beside it: *VO kahn ish___buh-KAWM-men*. Then look for "soap" in the list that follows; the German word is *ZAI-fuh*. Put the word for "soap" in the blank space and you get *VO kahn ish ZAI-fuh buh-KAWM-men*?

English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
I want___	*ish MERSH-tuh___* (Ich möchte___)
We want___	*veer MERSH-ten___* (Wir möchten___)
Give me___	*GA Y-ben zee meer___* (Geben Sie mir___)
Bring me___	*BRIN-gen zee meer___* (Bringen Sie mir___)
Get me___	*HO-len zee meer___* (Holen Sie mir___)
Where can I get___?	*VO kahn ish___ buh-KA WM-men?* (Wo kann ich___ bekommen?)
I have___	*ish HA-buh___* (Ich habe___)
We have___	*veer HA-ben___* (Wir haben___)
Have you___?	*HA-ben zee___?* (Haben Sie___?)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
	EXAMPLE
I want___	*ish MERSH-tuh___* (Ich möchte___)
food	*ET-vahss tsoo ESS-sen* (etwas zu essen)
I want food	*ish ME -tuh ET-vahss tsoo ESS-sen* (Ich möchte etwas zu essen)
apples	*EP-fel* pfel)
bacon	*SHPEK* (Speck)
beefsteak	*BEEF-shtayk* (Beefsteak)
boiled water	*AHP-guh-kawkh-tess VAHSS-ser* (abgekochtes Wasser)

English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
carrots	*GEL-buh REW-ben* (gelbe Rüben)
cucumbers	*GOOR-ken* (Gurken)
grapes	*TROW-ben* (Trauben)
ham	*SHIN-ken* (Schinken)
a meal	*ai-nuh MAHL-tsait* (eine Mahlzeit)
onions	*TSVEE-beln* (Zwiebeln)
oranges	*ahp-fel-ZEE-nen* (Apfelsinen)
peas	*AYRP-sen* (Erbsen)
rice	*RAISS* (Reis)
spinach	*shpee-NAHT* (Spinat)
tangerines	*mahn-da-REE-nen* (Mandarinen)
turnips	*VAI-suh REW-ben* (weisse Rüben)

a cup	*ai-nuh TAHSS-suh* (eine Tasse)
a fork	*ai-nuh GA-bel* (eine Gabel)
a glass	*ain GLAHSS* (ein Glas)
a knife	*ain MESS-ser* (ein Messer)
a plate	*ai-nen TEL-ler* (einen Teller)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
a spoon	*ai-nen LERF-fel* (einen Löffel)
a bed	*ain BET* (ein Bett)
bedding	*BET-tsoyk* (Bettzeug)
blankets	*DEK-ken* (Decken)
a mattress	*ai-nuh ma-TRA-tsuh* (eine Matratze)
a pillow	*ain KISS-sen* (ein Kissen)
a room	*ain TSIM-mer* (ein Zimmer)
sheets	*BET-la-ken* (Bettlaken)
cigars	*tsee-GAR-ren* (Zigarren)
a pipe	*ai-nuh P‿FAI-fuh* (eine Pfeife)
pipe tobacco	*P‿FAI-fen-ta-bahk* (Pfeifentabak)
ink	*TIN-tuh* (Tinte)
a pen	*ai-nen FAY-der-hahl-ter* (einen Federhalter,
a pencil	*ai-nen BLAI-shtift* (einen Bleistift)
a comb	*ai-nen KAHM* (einen Kamm)
hot water	*HAI-sess VAHSS-ser* (heisses Wasser)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
a razor	*ai-nen ra-ZEER-ahp-pa-raht* (einen Rasierapparat)
razor blades	*ra-ZEER-kling-en* (Rasierklingen)
a shaving brush	*ai-nen ra-ZEER-pin-zel* (einen Rasierpinsel)
shaving soap	*ra-ZEER-zai-fuh* (Rasierseife)
soap	*ZAI-fuh* (Seife)
a toothbrush	*ai-nuh TSAHN-bewr-stuh* (eine Zahnbürste)
tooth paste	*TSAHN-kraym* (Zahncreme)
a towel	*ain HAHN-tookh* (ein Handtuch)
a handkerchief	*ain TA-shen-tookh* (ein Taschentuch)
a raincoat	*ai-nen RAY-gen-mahn-tel* (einen Regenmantel)
a shirt	*ain HEMT* (ein Hemd)
shoe laces	*SHNEWR-zen-kel* (Schnürsenkel)
shoe polish	*SHOO-kraym* (Schuhcreme)
shoes	*SHOO-uh* (Schuhe)
undershirt	*OON-ter-hemt* (Unterhemd)
undershorts	*OON-ter-ho-zen* (Unterhosen)

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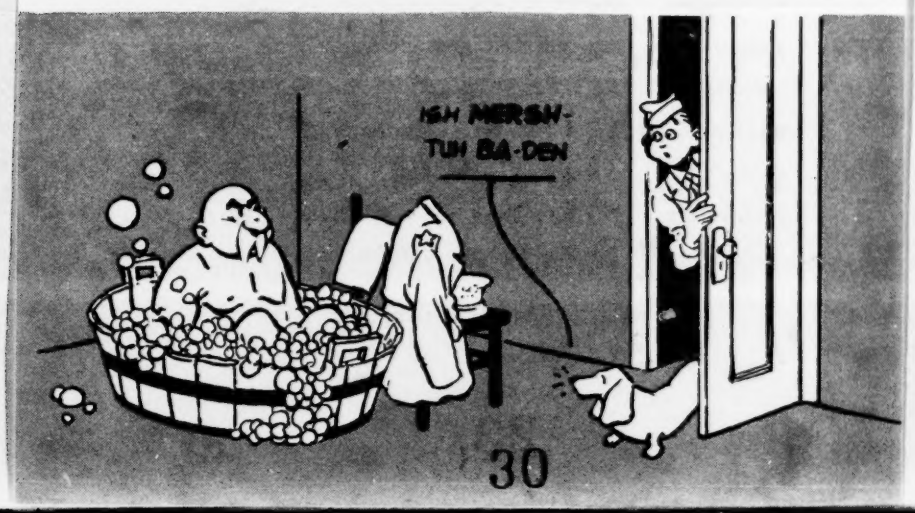
English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
underwear	*OON-ter-vesh-shuh* (Unterwäsche)
buttons	*KNERP-fuh* (Knöpfe)
a needle	*ai-nuh NA-del* (eine Nadel)
pins	*SHTEK-na-deln* (Stecknadeln)
safety pins	*ZISH-sher-haits-na-deln* (Sicherheitsnadeln)
thread	*FA-den* (Faden)
aspirin	*ah-spee-REEN* (Aspirin)
a bandage	*ai-nuh BIN-duh* (eine Binde)
cotton	*VAHT-tuh* (Watte)
a disinfectant	*ain dess-in-fekts-YOHNSS-mit-tel* (ein Desinfektionsmittel)



English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
iodine	*YOHT* (Jod)
a laxative	*ain AHP-fewr-mit-tel* (ein Abführmittel)
I want to___	*ish MERSH-tuh___* (Ich möchte___)

EXAMPLE

I want to___	*ish MERSH-tuh___* (Ich möchte___)
eat	*ESS-sen* (essen)
I want to eat	*ish MERSH-tuh ESS-sen* (Ich möchte essen)
buy it	*ess KOW-fen* (es kaufen)
drink	*TRIN-ken* (trinken)
have my clothes washed	*mai-nuh ZA-khen VA-shen lahss-sen* (meine Sachen waschen lassen)
rest	*mish OWSS-roo-en* (mich ausruhen)
sleep	*SHLA-fen* (schlafen)
take a bath	*BA-den* (baden)
wash up	*mish VA-shen* (mich waschen)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*

When you want a haircut or shave you say:

Haircut, please! *BIT-tuh HA-ruh-shnai-den!* (Bitte, Haareschneiden!)

Shave, please! *BIT-tuh ra-ZEE-ren!* (Bitte, Rasieren!)

Where is___? *VO ist___?* (Wo ist___?)

EXAMPLE

Where is___? *VO ist___?* (Wo ist___?)

a barber *ain free-ZER* (ein Friseur)

Where is a barber? *VO ist ain free-ZER?* (Wo ist ein Friseur?)

a bridge *ai-nuh BREWK-kuh* (eine Brücke)

a bus *ain AWM-nee-booss* (ein Omnibus)

a church *ai-nuh KEER-shuh* (eine Kirche)

a clothing store *ain KLAI-der-la-den* (ein Kleiderladen)

a dentist *ain TSAHN-artst* (ein Zahnarzt)

a doctor *ain ARTST* (ein Arzt)

a drugstore *ai-nuh dro-gay-REE* (eine Drogerie)

a fountain (or well) *ain BROON-nen* (ein Brunnen)

a garage *ai-nuh ga-RA-shuh* (eine Garage)

a grocery store *ain LAY-benss-mit-tel-guh-SHEFT* (ein Lebensmittelgeschäft)

a hospital *ain la-tsa-RET* (ein Lazarett)

English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
a house	*ain HOWSS* (ein Haus)
a laundry	*ai-nuh vesh-shuh-RAI* (eine Wascherei)
a mechanic	*ain may-SHA-nee-ker* (ein Mechaniker)
a pharmacy	*ai-nuh ah-po-TAY-kuh* (eine Apotheke)
a policeman	*ain po-lee-TSIST* (ein Polizist)
a porter	*ain guh-PAYK-tray-ger* (ein Gepäckträger)
a shoemaker	*ain SHOO-ster* (ein Schuster)
a (natural) spring	*ai-nuh KVEL-luh* (eine Quelle)
a tailor	*ain SHNAI-der* (ein Schneider)
a telephone	*ain tay-lay-FOHN* (ein Telephon)
a workman	*ain AR-bai-ter* (ein Arbeiter)
the camp	*dahss TROOP-pen-la-ger* (das Truppenlager)
the city	*dee SHTAHT* (die Stadt)
the highway	*dee LAHNT-shtra-suh* (die Landstrasse)
the main street	*dee HOWPT-shtra-suh* (die Hauptstrasse)
the market	*dayr MARKT* (der Markt)
the nearest town	*dee NAYSH-stuh AWRT-shaft* (die nächste Ortschaft)
the police station	*dahss po-lee-TSAI-ahmt* (das Polizeiamt)
the post office	*dahss PAWST-ahmt* (das Postamt)

English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
the railroad	*dee AI-zen-bahn* (die Eisenbahn)
the river	*dayr FLOOSS* (der Fluss)
the road	*dayr VAYK* (der Weg)
the telegraph window (in post office)	*dayr tay-lay-GRAHM-shahl-ter* (der Telegrammschalter)

I am___	*ish bin___* (Ich bin___)
He is___	*ayr ist___* (Er ist___)
We are___	*veer zint___* (Wir sind___)
They are___	*zee zint___* (Sie sind___)
Are you___?	*zint zee___?* (Sind Sie___?)

EXAMPLE

I am___	*ish bin___* (Ich bin___)
sick	*KRAHNK* (krank)
I am sick	*ish bin KRAHNK* (Ich bin krank)
tired	*MEW-duh* (müde)
wounded	*fer-VOON-det* (verwundet)

Is it___?	*ist ess___?* (Ist es___?)
It is___	*ess ist___* (Es ist___)
It is not___	*ess ist nisht___* (Es ist nicht___)

English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
That is___	*dahss ist___* (Das ist___)
This is___	*deess ist___* (Dies ist___)
That is too___	*dahss ist tsoo___* (Das ist zu___)
That is very___	*dahss ist zayr___* (Das ist sehr___)

EXAMPLE

It is not___ good	*ess ist nisht___* (Es ist nicht___ gut) *GOOT*
It is not good bad	*ess ist nisht GOOT* (Es ist nicht gut) *SHLESHT* (schlecht)
expensive	*TOY-er* (teuer)
large	*GROHSS* (gross)
small	*KLAIN* (klein)
clean	*ZOW-ber* (sauber)
dirty	*SHMOO-tsik* (schmutzig)
cold	*KAHLT* (kalt)
hot	*HAISS* (heiss)
few	*VAY-nik* (wenig)
much	*FEEL* (viel)
enough	*guh-NOOK* (genug)
far	*VAIT* (weit)
near	*NA-huh* (nahe)
here	*HEER* (hier)
there	*DAWRT* (dort)

IMPORTANT SIGNS

German	*English*
Halt!	Stop!
Langsam!	Go slow!
Gefahr!	Danger!
Einbahnstrasse	One Way Street
Einbahnverkehr	One Way Traffic
Keine Durchfahrt	No Thoroughfare
Rechts fahren	Keep To The Right
Strasse im Bau	Road Under Construction
Kurve	Dangerous Curve
Kreuzung	Dangerous Crossing
Bahnübergang	Grade Crossing
Parken verboten	No Parking
Kein Zutritt	No Admittance
Frauen *or* **Damen**	Women
Männer *or* **Herren**	Men
Nichtraucher *or* **Rauchen verboten**	No Smoking
Eingang	Entrance
Ausgang	Exit

ALPHABETICAL WORD LIST

English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
	A
a	*ain* (ein) *or ain-en* (einen) *or ain-uh* (eine)
am	
I am___	*ish BIN___* (Ich bin___)
American	*ah-may-ree-KA-ner* (Amerikaner)
American sailors	*ah-may-ree-KA-ner-shuh mah-TROH-zen* (amerikanische Matrosen)
I am an American	*ish BIN ah-may-ree-KA-ner* (Ich bin Amerikaner)
and	*oont* (und)
apples	*EP-fel* (Äpfel)
are	*zint* (sind)
Are you___?	*zint zee___?* (Sind Sie___?)
They are___	*zee zint___* (Sie sind___)
We are___	*veer zint___* (Wir sind___)
aspirin	*ah-spee-REEN* (Aspirin)

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B

bacon	*SHPEK* (Speck)
bad	*SHLESHT* (schlecht)
bandage	*BIN-duh* (Binde)
barber	*free-ZER* (Friseur)
bath	
take a bath	*BA-den* (baden)
beans	*BO-nen* (Bohnen)
bed	*BET* (Bett)
bedding	*BET-tsoyk* (Bettzeug)
beef	*RINT-flaish* (Rindfleisch)
beefsteak	*BEEF-shtayk* (Beefsteak)
beer	*BEER* (Bier)
a glass of beer	*ain GLAHSS BEER* (ein Glas Bier)
beets	*RO-tuh REW-ben* (rote Rüben)
begins	*buh-GINT* (beginnt)
blankets	*DEK-ken* (Decken)
boiled water	*AHP-guh-kawkh-tess VAHSS-ser* (abgekochtes Wasser)
bread	*BROHT* (Brot)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
bridge	*BREWK-kuh* (Brücke)
bring	
Bring help!	*HO-len zee HIL-fuh!* (Holen Sie Hilfe!)
Bring me___	*BRIN-gen zee meer___* (Bringen Sie mir___)
bus	*AWM-nee-booss* (Omnibus)
butter	*BOOT-ter* (Butter)
buttons	*KNERP-fuh* (Knöpfe)
buy	
buy it	*ess KOW-fen* (es kaufen)

C

cabbage	*KOHL* (Kohl)
camp	*TROOP-pen-la-ger* (Truppenlager)
can	
Where can I get___?	*VO kahn ish___ buh-KAWM-men?* (Wo kann ich___ bekommen?)
carrots	*GEL-buh REW-ben* (gelbe Rüben)
cheese	*KAY-zuh* (Käse)
chicken	*HOON* (Huhn)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
chocolate	*sho-ko-LA-duh* (Schokolade)
church	*KEER-shuh* (Kirche)
cigarettes	*tsee-ga-RET-ten* (Zigaretten)
cigars	*tsee-GAR-ren* (Zigarren)
city	*SHTAHT* (Stadt)
clean	*ZOW-ber* (sauber)
clothing store	*KLAI-der-la-den* (Kleiderladen)
coffee	*KAHF-fay* (Kaffee)
a cup of coffee	*ai-nuh TAHSS-suh KAHF-fay* (eine Tasse Kaffee)
cold	*KAHLT* (kalt)

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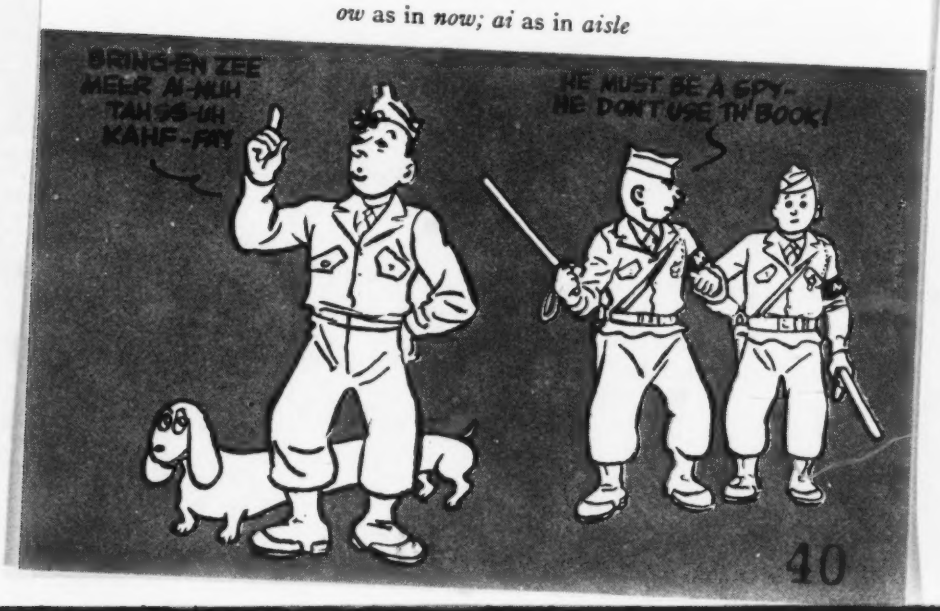

English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
comb	*KAHM* (Kamm)
Come!	*KAWM-men zee!* (Kommen Sie!)
Come here!	*KAWM-men zee HAYR!* (Kommen Sie her!)
Come quickly!	*KAWM-men zee SHNEL!* (Kommen Sie schnell!)
cost	*KAWST-et* (kostet)
How much does that cost?	*vee-feel KAWSS-tet DAHSS?* (Wieviel kostet das?)
cotton	*VAHT-tuh* (Watte)
cover	
Take cover!	*DEK-koong!* (Deckung!)
cucumbers	*GOOR-ken* (Gurken)
cup	*TAHSS-suh* (Tasse)
a cup of___	*ai-nuh TAHSS-suh___* (eine Tasse___)

D

Danger!	*guh-FAR!* (Gefahr!)
day	*TAHK* (Tag)
Good day	*GOO-ten TAHK* (Guten Tag)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
dentist	*TSAHN-artst* (Zahnarzt)
dirty	*SHMOO-tsik* (schmutzig)
disinfectant	*dess-in-fekts-YOHNSS-mit-tel* (Desinfektionsmittel)
Do you understand?	*fer-SHTAY-en zee?* (Verstehen Sie?)
doctor	*ARTST* (Arzt)
Take me to a doctor	*BRIN-gen zee mish tsoo ai-nem ARTST* (Bringen Sie mich zu einem Arzt)
Draw me a map	*TSAISH-nen zee meer ai-nuh KAR-tuh* (Zeichnen Sie mir eine Karte)
drink	*TRIN-ken* (trinken)
drinking water	*TRINK-vahss-ser* (Trinkwasser)
drugstore	*dro-gay-REE* (Drogerie)

E

eat	*ESS-sen* (essen)
something to eat	*ET-vahss tsoo ESS-sen* (etwas zu essen)
I want to eat	*ish MERSH-tuh ESS-sen* (Ich möchte essen)
eggs	*AI-er* (Eier)
eight	*AHKHT* (acht)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
eighteen	*AHKH-tsayn* (achtzehn)
eighty	*AHKH-tsik* (achtzig)
eleven	*ELF* (elf)
enough	*guh-NOOK* (genug)
Excuse me	*fayr-TSAI-oong* (Verzeihung)
evening	*AH-bent* (Abend)
Good evening	*GOO-ten AH-bent* (Guten Abend)
expensive	*TOY-er* (teuer)

F

far	*VAIT* (weit)
How far is it?	*vee VAIT ist ess?* (Wie weit ist es?)
Is it far?	*ist ess VAIT?* (Ist es weit?)
few	*VAY-nik* (wenig)
fifteen	*FEWNF-tsayn* (fünfzehn)
fifty	*FEWNF-tsik* (fünfzig)
fish	*FISH* (Fisch)
five	*FEWNF* (fünf)
food	*ET-vahss tsoo ESS-sen* (etwas zu essen)
fork	*GA-bel* (Gabel)
forty	*FEER-tsik* (vierzig)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
fountain (well)	*BROON-nen* (Brunnen)
four	*FEER* (vier)
fourteen	*FEER-tsayn* (vierzehn)
Friday	*FRAI-tahk* (Freitag)
fruit	*OHPST* (Obst)

G

garage	*ga-RA-shuh* (Garage)
Gas!	*GAHSS!* (Gas!)
German	*DOYTSH* (Deutsch)
in German	*owf DOYTSH* (auf Deutsch)
get	
Get me___	*HO-len zee meer___* (Holen Sie mir___)
Where can I get___?	*VO kahn ish___buh-KAWM-men?* (Wo kann ich bekommen?)
Give me___	*GAY-ben zee meer___* (Geben Sie mir___)
glass	*GLAHSS* (Glas)
a glass of___	*ain GLAHSS___* (ein Glas___)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
Go!	*GA Y-en zee!* (Gehen Sie!)
Go quickly!	*GA Y-en zee SHNEL!* (Gehen Sie schnell!)
good	*GOOT* (gut)
Good day	*GOO-ten TAHK* (Guten Tag)
Good evening	*GOO-ten AH-bent* (Guten Abend)
Good morning	*GOO-ter MAWR-gen* (*Guten Morgen*)
Good-by	*owf VEE-der-zayn* (Auf Wiedersehen)
grapes	*TROW-ben* (Trauben)
grocery store	*LA Y-benss-mit-tel-guh-SHEFT* (Lebensmittelgeschäft)

H

hair	*HAR* (Haar)
Haircut, please!	*BIT-tuh HA-ruh-shnai-den!* (Bitte, Haareschneiden!)
half	*HAHLP* (halb)
Halt!	*HAHLT!* (Halt!)
ham	*SHIN-ken* (Schinken)
handkerchief	*TA-shen-tookh* (Taschentuch)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
have	
Have you___?	*HA-ben zee___?* (Haben Sie___?)
I have___	*ish HA-buh___* (Ich habe___)
We have___	*veer HA-ben___* (Wir haben___)
he	*ayr* (er)
He is___	*ayr ist___* (Er ist___)
Help!	*HIL-fuh!* (Hilfe!)
Bring help!	*HO-len zee HIL-fuh!* (Holen Sie Hilfe!)
Please help me	*BIT-tuh HEL-fen zee meer* (Bitte helfen Sie mir)
here	*HEER* (hier)
It is here	*ess ist HEER* (Es ist hier)
Come here!	*KAWM-men zee hayr!* (Kommen Sie her!)
highway	*LAHNT-shtra-suh* (Landstrasse)
hospital	*la-tsa-RET* (Lazarett)
Take me to a hospital	*BRIN-gen zee mish tsoo AI-nem la-tsa-RET* (Bringen Sie mich zu einem Lazarett)
hot	*HAISS* (heiss)
hot water	*HAI-sess VAHSS-ser* (heisses Wasser)
hotel	*ho-TEL* (Hotel)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
Where is a hotel?	*VO ist ain ho-TEL?* (Wo ist ein Hotel?)
house	*HOWSS* (Haus)
how	*VEE* (wie)
How are you?	*vee GA YT ess ee-nen?* (Wie geht es Ihnen?)
How do you say *table* in German?	*vahss ZA-gen zee fewr* table *owf DOYTSH?* (Was sagen Sie für *table* auf Deutsch?)
How far is it?	*vee VAIT ist ess?* (Wie weit ist es?)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
How much does that cost?	*vee-feel KAWSS-tet DAHSS?* (Wieviel kostet das?)
hundred	*HOON-dert* (hundert)
hungry	
I am hungry	*ish HA-buh HOONG-er* (Ich habe Hunger)

I

I	*ish* (ich)
I am___	*ish bin___* (Ich bin___)
I have___	*ish HA-buh___* (Ich habe___)
I want___ *or* I want to___	*ish MERSH-tuh___* (Ich möchte___)
in German	*owf DOYTSH* (auf Deutsch)
ink	*TIN-tuh* (Tinte)
iodine	*YOHT* (Jod)
is	*ist* (ist)
Is it___?	*IST ess___?* (Ist es___?)
It is___	*ess IST___* (Es ist___)
It is not___	*ess ist NISHT___* (Es ist nicht___)

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K

kilometer	*kee-lo-MA Y-ter* (Kilometer)
knife	*MESS-ser* (Messer)

L

large	*GROHSS* (gross)
laundry	*vesh-shuh-RA I* (Wäscherei)
laxative	*AHP-fewr-mit-tel* (Abführmittel)
leave	*GA YT* (geht)
When does the train leave?	*vahn GA YT dayr TSOOK?* (Wann geht der Zug?)
left	*LINKS* (links)
To the left	*nahkh LINKS* (nach links)
lost	
I am lost	*ish HA-buh mish fayr-LOW-fen* (Ich habe mich verlaufen)

M

madam	*G‿NA Y-dig-uh FROW* (gnädige Frau)
main street	*HOWPT-shtra-suh* (Hauptstrasse)
map	*KAR-tuh* (Karte)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
Draw me a map	*TSAISH-nen zee meer ai-nuh KAR-tuh* (Zeichnen Sie mir eine Karte)
mark	*MARK* (Mark)
market	*MARKT* (Markt)
matches	*SHTRAISH-herl-tser* (Streichhölzer)
mattress	*ma-TRA-tsuh* (Matratze)
me	*mish* (mich) or *meer* (mir)
meal	*MAHL-tsait* (Mahlzeit)
meat	*FLAISH* (Fleisch)
mechanic	*may-SHA-nee-ker* (Mechaniker)
milk	*MILSH* (Milch)
Miss	*FROY-lain* (Fräulein) or *G‿NAY-dig-ess FROY-lain* (gnädiges Fräulein)
Mister	*HAYR* (Herr)
Monday	*MOHN-tahk* (Montag)
morning	*MAWR-gen* (Morgen)
movie	*KEE-no* (Kino)
When does the movie start?	*VAHN buh-GINT dahss KEE-no?* (Wann beginnt das Kino?)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
Mrs.	*FROW* (Frau)
much	*FEEL* (viel)
mutton	*HAHM-mel-flaish* (Hammelfleisch)

N

name	
My name is___	*ish HAI-suh___* (Ich heisse___)
What's your name?	*VEE HAI-sen zee?* (Wie heissen Sie?)
near	*NA-huh* (nahe)
the nearest town	*dee NAYSH-stuh AWRT-shaft* (die nächste Ortschaft)
needle	*NA-del* (Nadel)
nine	*NOYN* (neun)
nineteen	*NOYN-tsayn* (neunzehn)
ninety	*NOYN-tsik* (neunzig)
no	*NAIN* (nein)
north	*NAWR-den* (Norden)
Which way is north?	*VO ist NAWR-den?* (Wo ist Norden?)
not	*nisht* (nicht)

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O

one	*AINSS* (eins)
onions	*TSVEE-beln* (Zwiebeln)
oranges	*ahp-fel-ZEE-nen* (Apfelsinen)

P

pay

I will pay you *ish VA YR-duh EE-nen GELT GA Y-ben* (Ich werde Ihnen Geld geben)

peas	*A YRP-sen* (Erbsen)
pen	*FA Y-der-hahl-ter* (Federhalter)
pencil	*BLAI-shtift* (Bleistift)
pepper	*P‿FEF-fer* (Pfeffer)
pfennig	*P‿FEN-nik* (Pfennig)
pharmacy	*ah-po-TA Y-kuh* (Apotheke)
pillow	*KISS-sen* (Kissen)
pins	*SHTEK-na-deln* (Stecknadeln)
safety pins	*ZISH-sher-haits-na-deln* (Sicherheitsnadeln)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
pipe	*P◡FAI-fuh* (Pfeife)
pipe tobacco	*P◡FAI-fen-ta-bahk* (Pfeifentabak)
plate	*TEL-ler* (Teller)
Please	*BIT-tuh* (Bitte)
police station	*po-lee-TSAI-ahmt* (Polizeiamt)
policeman	*po-lee-TSIST* (Polizist)
pork	*SHVAI-nuh-flaish* (Schweinefleisch)
porter	*guh-PAYK-tray-ger* (Gepäckträger)
post office	*PAWST-ahmt* (Po[illegible])
potatoes	*kar-TAWF-feln* ([illegible])

Q

quickly	*SHNEL* (schnell)
Come quickly!	*KAWM-men zee SHNEL!* (Kommen Sie schnell!)
Go quickly!	*GAY-en zee SHNEL!* (Gehen Sie schnell!)

R

railroad	*AI-zen-bahn* (Eisenbahn)
railroad station	*BAHN-hohf* (Bahnhof)

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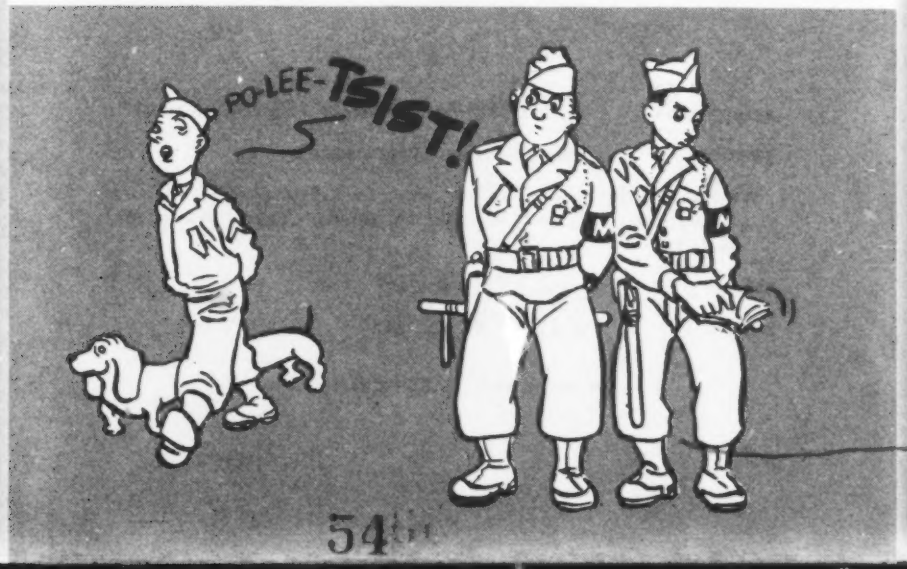
English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
Where is a railroad station?	*VO ist ain BAHN-hohf?* (Wo ist ein Bahnhof?)
raincoat	*RA Y-gen-mahn-tel* (Regenmantel)
razor	*ra-ZEER-ahp-pa-raht* (Rasierapparat)
razor blades	*ra-ZEER-kling-en* (Rasierklingen)
repeat	*vee-der-HO-len zee!* (Wiederholen Sie!)
Please repeat	*BIT-tuh vee-der-HO-len zee* (Bitte wiederholen Sie)
rest	
I want to rest	*ish MERSH-tuh mish OWSS-roo-en* (Ich möchte mich ausruhen)



English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
restaurant	*ress-to-RAHNG* (Restaurant)
Where is a restaurant?	*VO ist ain ress-to-RAHNG?* (Wo ist ein Restaurant?)
rice	*RAISS* (Reis)
right	*RESHTS* (rechts)
To the right	*nahkh RESHTS* (nach rechts)
river	*FLOOSS* (Fluss)
road	*VAYK* (Weg)
Which is the road to___?	*VO ist dayr VAYK nahkh___?* (Wo ist der Weg nach___?)
room	*TSIM-mer* (Zimmer)

S

safety pins	*ZISH-sher-haits-na-deln* (Sicherheitsnadeln)
sailors	*mah-TROH-zen* (Matrosen)
Where are the American sailors?	*VO ZINT dee a-may-ree-KA-nee-shen mah-TROH-zen?* (Wo sind die amerikanischen Matrosen?)
salad	*za-LAHT* (Salat)
salt	*ZAHLTS* (Salz)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
Saturday	*ZAMSS-tahk* (Samstag) *or ZAWN-ah-bent* (Sonnabend)
(to) say	*ZA-gen* (sagen)
How do you say *table* in German?	*vahss ZA-gen zee fewr* table *owf DOYTSH*? (Was sagen Sie für *table* auf Deutsch?)
seven	*ZEE-ben* (sieben)
seventeen	*ZEEP-tsayn* (siebzehn)
seventy	*ZEEP-tsik* (siebzig)
shave	
Shave, please!	*BIT-tuh ra-ZEE-ren!* (Bitte, Rasieren!)
shaving brush	*ra-ZEER-pin-zel* (Rasierpinsel)
shaving soap	*ra-ZEER-zai-fuh* (Rasierseife)
she	*zee* (sie)
sheets	*BET-la-ken* (Bettlaken)
shirt	*HEMT* (Hemd)
undershirt	*OON-ter-hemt* (Unterhemd)
shoemaker	*SHOO-ster* (Schuster)
shoes	*SHOO-uh* (Schuhe)

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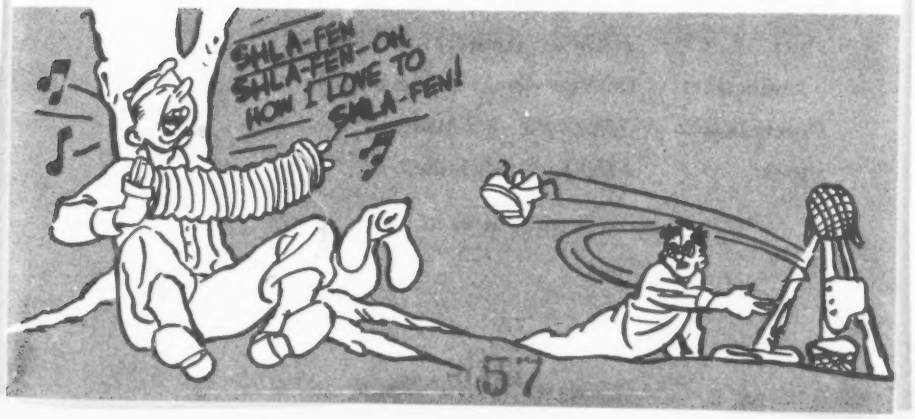
English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
shoe laces	*SHNEWR-zen-kel* (Schnürsenkel)
shoe polish	*SHOO-kraym* (Schuhcreme)
show	
Please show me	*BIT-tuh TSAI-gen zee meer* (Bitte zeigen Sie mir)
sick	*KRAHNK* (krank)
sir	*main HAYR* (mein Herr)
six	*ZEKS* (sechs)
sixteen	*ZESH-tsayn* (sechzehn)
sixty	*ZESH-tsik* (sechzig)
sleep	*SHLA-fen* (schlafen)
slowly	*LAHNK-zahm* (langsam)
Speak slowly	*SPRESH-en zee LAHNK-zahm* (Sprechen Sie langsam,



English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
small	*KLAIN* (klein
soap	*ZAI-fuh* (Seife)
shaving soap	*ra-ZEER-zai-fuh* (Rasierseife)
soup	*ZOOP-puh* (Suppe)
speak	*SPRESH-en zee!* (Sprechen Sie!)
Speak slowly	*SPRESH-en zee LAHNK-zahm* (Sprechen Sie langsam)
spinach	*shpee-NAHT* (Spinat)
spoon	*LERF-fel* (Löffel)
(natural) spring	*KVEL-luh* (Quelle)
start	*buh-GINT* (beginnt)
When does the movie start?	*VAHN buh-GINT dahss KEE-no?* (Wann beginnt das Kino?)
station	
police station	*po-lee-TSAI-ahmt* (Polizeiamt)
railroad station	*BAHN-hohf* (Bahnhof)
Stop!	*HAHLT!* (Halt!)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
store	
clothing store	*KLAI-der-la-den* (Kleiderladen)
drugstore	*dro-gay-REE* (Drogerie)
Straight ahead	*guh-RA-duh-OWSS* (geradeaus)
street	*SHTRA-suh* (Strasse)
main street	*HOWPT-shtra-suh* (Hauptstrasse)
sugar	*TSOOK-ker* (Zucker)
Sunday	*ZAWN-tahk* (Sonntag)

T

tailor	*SHNAI-der* (Schneider)
take	
Take cover!	*DEK-koong!* (Deckung!)
Take me to a doctor	*BRIN-gen zee mish tsoo AI-nem ARTST* (Bringen Sie mich zu einem Arzt)
Take me to a hospital	*BRIN-gen zee mish tsoo AI-nem la-tsa-RET* (Bringen Sie mich zu einem Lazarett)
Take me there	*BRIN-gen zee mish dawrt HIN* (Bringen Sie mich dort hin)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
tangerines	*mahn-da-REE-nen* (Mandarinen)
tea	*TAY* (Tee)
telegraph window (in post office)	*tay-lay-GRAHM-shahl-ter* (Telegrammschalter)
telephone	*tay-lay-FOHN* (Telephon)
ten	*TSAYN* (zehn)
Thank you	*DAN-kuh* (Danke)
that	*dahss* (das)
What's that?	*VAHSS ist DAHSS?* (Was ist das?)
the	*dayr* (der) *or dee* (die) *or dahss* (das)
there	*DAWRT* (dort)
Take me there	*BRIN-gen zee mish dawrt HIN* (Bringen Sie mich dort hin)
they	*zee* (sie)
They are___	*zee zint___* (Sie sind___)
thirsty	
I am thirsty	*ish HA-buh DOORST* (Ich habe Durst)
thirteen	*DRAI-tsayn* (dreizehn)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
thirty	*DRAI-sik* (dreissig)
this	*DEESS* (dies)
What's this?	*VAHSS ist DEESS?* (Was ist dies?)
thousand	*TOW-zent* (tausend)
thread	*FA-den* (Faden)
three	*DRAI* (drei)
Thursday	*DAWN-nerss-tahk* (Donnerstag)
time	
What time is it?	*vee SHPAYT ist ess?* (Wie spät ist es?)
tired	*MEW-duh* (müde)
tobacco	*TA-bahk* (Tabak)
today	*HOY-tuh* (heute)
toilet	*twa-LET-tuh* (Toilette)
Where is a toilet?	*VO ist ai-nuh twa-LET-tuh?* (Wo ist eine Toilette?)
tomorrow	*MAWR-gen* (morgen)
too	*tsoo* (zu)
toothbrush	*TSAHN-bewr-stuh* (Zahnbürste)
tooth paste	*TSAHN-kraym* (Zahncreme)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
towel	*HAHN-tookh* (Handtuch)
town	*AWRT-shaft* (Ortschaft) *or* *SHTAHT* (Stadt)
the nearest town	*dee NAYSH-stuh AWRT-shaft* (die nächste Ortschaft)
train	*TSOOK* (Zug)
When does the train leave?	*vahn GAYT dayr TSOOK?* (Wann geht der Zug?)
Tuesday	*DEENSS-tahk* (Dienstag)
turnips	*VAI-suh REW-ben* (weisse Rüben)
twelve	*TSVERLF* (zwölf)
twenty	*TSVAHN-tsik* (zwanzig)
two	*TSVAI* (zwei)

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undershirt	*OON-ter-hemt* (Unterhemd)
undershorts	*OON-ter-ho-zen* (Unterhosen)
understand	
Do you understand?	*fer-SHTAY-en zee?* (Verstehen Sie?)
I understand	*ish fer-SHTAY-uh* (Ich verstehe)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
I don't understand	*ish fer-SHTAY-uh nisht* (Ich verstehe nicht)
underwear	*OON-ter-vesh-shuh* (Unterwäsche)

V

veal	*KAHLP-flaish* (Kalbfleisch)
vegetables	*guh-MEW-zuh* (Gemüse)
very	*zayr* (sehr)

W

Wait!	*VAR-ten zee!* (Warten Sie!)
Wait a moment!	*VAR ten zee ai-nen OW-gen-blik!* (Warten Sie einen Augenblick!)
want	
I want___ *or* I want to___	*ish MERSH-tuh___* (Ich möchte___)
We want___	*veer MERSH-ten___* (Wir möchten___)
wash	*VA-shen* (waschen)
I want to wash up	*ish MERSH-tuh mish VA-shen* (Ich möchte mich waschen)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
I want to have my clothes washed	*ish MERSH-tuh mai-nuh ZA-khen VA-shen lahss-sen* (Ich möchte meine Sachen waschen lassen)
Watch out!	*OWF-pahss-sen!* (Aufpassen!)
water	*VAHSS-ser* (Wasser)
boiled water	*AHP-guh-kawkh-tess VAHSS-ser* (abgekochtes Wasser)
drinking water	*TRINK-vahss-ser* (Trinkwasser)
hot water	*HAI-sess VAHSS-ser* (heisses Wasser)
we	*veer* (wir)
We are___	*veer zint___* (Wir sind___)
We have___	*veer HA-ben___* (Wir haben___)
We want___	*veer MERSH-ten___* (Wir möchten___)
Wednesday	*MIT-vawkh* (Mittwoch)
welcome	
You're welcome	*BIT-tuh* (Bitte)
well	
I am well	*es GAYT meer GOOT* (Es geht mir gut)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
well (for water)	*BROON-nen* (Brunnen)
what	*VAHSS* (was)
What's that?	*VAHSS ist DAHSS?* (Was ist das?)
What's this?	*VAHSS ist DEESS?* (Was ist dies?)
What is your name?	*VEE HAI-sen zee?* (Wie heissen Sie?)
What time is it?	*vee SHPAYT ist ess?* (Wie spät ist es?)
when	*VAHN* (wann)
When does the movie start?	*VAHN buh-GINT dahss KEE-no?* (Wann beginnt das Kino?)
When does the train leave?	*vahn GAYT dayr TSOOK?* (Wann geht der Zug?)
where	*VO* (wo)
Where is___?	*vo ist___?* (Wo ist___?)
Where are___?	*vo zint___?* (Wo sind___?)
Where can I get___?	*vo kahn ish___ buh-KAWM-men?* (Wo kann ich___ bekommen?)
wine	*VAIN* (Wein)

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English	*Pronunciation and German Spelling*
workman	*AR-bai-ter* (Arbeiter)
wounded	*fayr-VOON-det* (verwundet)

Y

yes	*YA* (ja)
yesterday	*GESS-tern* (gestern)
you	
Are you___?	*sint zee___?* (Sind Sie___?)
Have you___?	*HA-ben zee___?* (Haben Sie___?)